Alleged Conspiracy in Black Hand Charge Against Perkins and Franklin

DEFENSE OPENS ITS CASE

Attorney Proposes to Show Who Wrote Letters to Mr. Strong.

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Erie, Pa., July 24—The government concluded and the defense opened its case to-day in the trial of Gilbert E. Perkins, of Pittaburg, and Charles Franklin, of Philadeiphia, detectives charged with sending "Black Hand" letters to the family of Charles H. Strong, multimillionaire, in connection with the desecration of the mausoleum of the late Congressman Scott, fatherin-law of Mr. Strong.

Franklin, who is manager for Perkins at Philadelphia, and who, the government alleges, is the author of the "Black Hand" letters, made a general denial of the governments allegations and was positive in the statement that he had not written the letters in question for did he know, he claims, any had been received until he read of their receipt in the newspapers.

The sensation of the day came when Attorney W. S. Thompson, for the defense, said he proposed to show that the defendants were in no way connected with the crime charged, and that they would show to the satisfaction of the court and jury who wrote the letters to Mr. Strong. He stated further that the author of the letters was in the courtroom, and in this connection mentioned Thomas J. Dempsey, manager of a detective agency of this city, and Franklin, who is under manager of a detective agency of this city, and Franklin, who is under charges of having sent a "Black Hand letter to General Charles Miller, millionaire oil man, of Franklin, demanding \$25,000.

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The alleged evidence against Dempsey is that the Miller case was secured by the Perkins mrm. Attorney Thompson said they would show that a conspiracy existed between Dempsey and certain officials, and that the torn pieces or irregular parts of letters had been "planted" on Perkins when he was afrested in Indianapolis on Apfa.

13. He also alleged that it would be shown that Detective Dempsey was in this city when the letters were sent; that he was in Indianapolis when G. B. Perkins was arrested. Attorney Thompson said that witnesses would be brought to testify that Dempsey had a grudge against Perkins and his business affairs, and that Dempsey had stated that "he would get even with Perkins if it took him twenty years to do it."

Wirginia Man Elected.

Bristol, Va., July 24.—Out of fortycight applicants, P. S. Barnes, of Danville, who had charge of a school at

in the about mous letter was mailed to change sewer required and very better that the was in Indianapolis when dit that the was in Indianapolis when dit that he was in Indianapolis when dit that he was in Indianapolis when dit that witnesses would be brought to testify that Dempsey had a grude the control of Commons to consent. He added to testify that Dempsey had a struct that they were gotinutal escape as an antique and that Dempsey had a struct that they were gotinutal escape his only one constitutional escape his one his constitutional escape his only one constitutional escape his one his deferments one his terminal research to the long and short haul charge and short haul charge and short haul estable to the long and short haul restance his one his deferments one sistent with its proceed to the long and short haul restance his one his deferments one his deferments one his deferments one his the compelled to the ments of the compelled his believe him the structure of the procee

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ample?"—(for the creation of new peers).

A. J. Balfour replied that the government by this one stroke misused the prerogative of the crown to destroy the second chamber. Others attempted to speak, but were howled down, and, unable to resore order, Speaker Lowther declared the sitting suspended until to-morrow.

Issues Statement.

Mr. Asquith to-night issued to the newspapers a summary of the speech like the present and Phoenix Railway Company and other carriers.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Weldon, N. C., July 24.—A well attended meeting of citizens interested in good roads was held in Halifax to-day. The meeting was strongly in favor of a bond issue of \$200,000 for good roads in Halifax county.

# The Best No one feature in the construction of a house is so unsatisfactory as cheap Plumbing. The modern high-grade Plumbing is a source of comfort, pleasure and health to the entire household. McGraw-Yarbrough Co. 122 S. Eighth St., - Richmond, Va. Out-of-town orders shipped quickly. HAVE YOU SEEN THE New Method Gas Ranges Mr. Asquith to-night issued to the newspapers a summary of the speech he was prevented from delivering. He contended that the principles of the machinery of the bill had been before the people at two elections. By no form of referendum devisable could the opinion of the electorate have been more carefully ascertained. The government had accepted the important amendments in the House of Commons; the purpose of the Lords' amendments was to set the machinery aside. The government had proposed specifically to describe what were finance bills, and what were matters of great gravity—whatever that might mean—which should be put before the country by referendum. There was not a great budget of the last seventy years which could not plausibly have been thrown out by such a junta. "When you have a Unionist major-

New Method Gas Ranges

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# bly have been thrown out by such a junta. "When you have a Unionist majority in both houses," continued the Prime Minister. "the whole thing bucomes a dead letter. Measures of the most far-reaching effect may be passed in defiance of public opinion, and over the heads of the electorate. You live under an unchecked and undiluted single chamber government; but with the Liberal government in power you would have a House of Commons fettered beyond all its predecessors, in control of finance, and in all cases where an irresponsible and non-representative body, independent of both houses, should so determine, every deadlock will be settled only by referendum. Electrical Shoe Shine 5c

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Affects Territory Between Denver and Terminals of Transcontinental Lines.

ON SHIPMENTS FROM EAST

Principle Laid Down That Commercial Conditions Hereafter Shall Control.

Washington, July 24 .- In what are nown as the Spokane-Reno-Pacific coast cases, the Interstate Commerce reductions in freight rates from the East to points between Denver and terminals of the great transcontinen

For many years the rallroads have exacted from shippers to intermediate exacted from shippers to intermediate points, such as Spokane and Reno, higher rates on Eastern freights than were charged for the much longer hauls to Seattle, San Francisco and other Pacific coast points. The theory has been that the railroads must meet water competition to the Pacific coast. The higher rates to intermediate points, arbitrarily fixed, have been defended by a comparison with the coast rates, plus a theoretical back-haul, from the coast to the inland stations the coast to the inland stations

from the coast to the inland stations along the line.

The commission recognizes the right of a railroad to meet water competition to Pacific coast points, but practically wipes out the back-haul rates to inter-Rocky Mountain territory. It lays down what it considers would be fair and just rates to various freight zones in the West, and gives the railroads until October 15 to adjust their tariffs accordingly.

The commission also lays down the important principle that hereafter railroads will not be permitted to fix arbitrary market limits, and that hereafter commercial conditions, rather than the will of railway traffe managers, shall control rates on transcontinental transportation.

Far-Reaching Importance.

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The decisions announced late to-day are of far-reaching importance. They affect directly all freight rates between the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific coast. Particularly they affect the rates in the territory lying between Denver and Pacific coast points. Hereafter the rates paid by shippers will be governed by a strict interpretation of the long and short haul clause.

# Last Outing to the Mountains

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deadlock will be settled only by referendum.

"These amendments," added Mr. Asquith, "taken as a whole amount to rejection of our bills." After quoting constitutional writers and the history of the passage of the reform bill by William IV. he gave his promise to create enough peers to insure the passage of the present bill.

Return on Friday, August 18, 1911. For full information, apply to C. A. Overton, Jr., City Passenger Agent, 838

C. H. BOSLEY. District Passenger Agent. IN COMMAND AT CAMP SALE



GENERAL C. C. VAUGHAN

### CAMP SALE VISITED BY SEVERE STORM

Wind Almost Reached Hurricane, but Only One Tent Is Blown Down-First Real Work Experienced by Men of First Regiment.

A. M., the real work of the camp bugan, and work then continued for four hours of the forenoon.

The twelve companies of the First Regiment were drilled in squad, company and battalion, in close order, the drills being under the supervision of Lieuteants Knox and White, U. S. A., who have been detailed as instructors by the War Department. In addition to these officers of the army, the War Department has assigned eleven well-informed non-commissioned officers, who have been assigned to the various companies. These non-commissioned officers are doing much excellent work in teaching the Virginia volunteer army the customs of the regular service, and their work will be highly beneficial to oil the men.

The camp experienced its first real hardship this afternoon, for it was visited by a terrific wind and rainstorm, the wind almost reaching a hurricane, and the rain almost the proportion of a deluge. The tents stood both remarkably well, however, only one tent being blown down.

All exercises of the afternoon were dispensed with, much to the regret of officers and the hundreds of townspeople, who exhibit much interest in the citizen soldiers.

Inquiry at the field hospital reveals he fact that no case of sickness has yet developed, and none is anticipated by the medical officers. Captain Hipyua, U. S. A., Medical Corps, reported to-day to General Vaughan, and will remain during the camp in an advisory capacity.

General Vaughan and his son were vaccinated to-day by Colone! Lynch with typhoid serum.

The Third Battalion, First Infantry, under command of Lieutenant-Colonel Craighill, arrived to-day, and its general appearance could not have been surpassed by the regular army.

The whole battalion, consisting of nearly 300 officers and men, detrained

### THE WEATHER

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Camp Sale, Culpeper, Va., July 24.—
With reveille to-day at 5:30 o'clock
A. M., the real work of the camp began, and work then continued for four hours of the forenoon.

The twelve companies of the First in record time. The battalion pre-

erection of the tents was completed in record time. The battalion presents an appearance that does credit to the State.

The battalion consists of companies M, commanded by Captain Raines, of Danville; Company I, Commanded by Captain Waife, of Staunton; Company K, commanded by First Lieutenant Bianton, of Farmville, and Company E, commanded by Captain Moon, of Lynchburg, This battalion is known in the State and throughout the army in the State and throughout the army as "the Irish Battalion of Virginia," and is considered one of the best in

ed to have contributed to a "jack pot." Mr. Keeley said he did not doubt Mr. Austrian's integrity. Mr. Keeley said the existence of a corruption jack pot was common gossip.

was common gossip.

Boutell Is Quoted.

Edward Hines, of Chicago, caused a sensation to-day by testifying before the committee that former Representative Henry S. Boutell, of Illinos, now American minister to Switzerland, told him that President Taft, regarding Lorimer as an acceptable senatorial candidate, was anxious to have him elected, and would be very glad to assist in his election.

Hines is the lumberman who has been the storm centre of the present Lorimer investigation. To-day's ses-

Lorimer investigation. To-day's session of the committee began with Attorney Hanecy, counsel for Senato Lorimer, questioning Hines furthe about his trips to New York last win ter, when the Lorimer election issue. ter, when the Lorimer election issue was pending before the Senate. Hines testified that on one of these New York trips he called on E. H. Gary, of the United States Steel Corporation, to see about the price of stock in a Colorado iron company.

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these words:
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Washington who went to the Presiddent in his behalf and bring off the

Hines declared that the Senator Mr. Hines declared that the Senator referred to was Senator Lorimer, and that his election to the Senate was the subject of the note. The witness explained that he was sure of his explanation because a little while after he got the note from Mr. Boutell he had a conversation with him which cleared up the matter.

Alleged Report by Boutell.

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Alleged Report by Boutell.

Mr. Hines declared that in this conversation Mr. Boutell said he had gone to see President Taft, and had told him that Lorimer seemed to be the only man upon whom the factions could unite. Mr. Hines continued:

"Mr. Boutell said that after I told the President of Lorimer's capabilities and of the ability of the factions to unite on him he (the President) said that he was very anxious to have a Senator elected from Illinois, and that Mr. Lorimer was very acceptable to him, and that he would do all he could to assist in electing him."

Senatorial Candidate Addresses Voters at Berryville.

Winchester, Va., July 24.—Congressman Jones spoke at Berryville this afternoon in the interest of his candidacy for Senator Martin's seat; in the United States Senate Although the meeting had been advertised throughout Clarke and adjoining counties the attendance was not as large as was expected, farmers being too busy with their own work.

The courthouse in which Mr. Jones spoke, however, was well filled, and those in attendance appeared to be interested. His specth was a long the same lines as those made in various towns, since he read a bunch of letters at Woodstock. He renewed his attack upon Senator Martin's record. Congressman Jones was introduced by County Treasurer William A. Bradford.

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Bristol, Va., July 24—Judge Kelly, of the Corporation Court here, to-day annulled the contract between Pariek flagan and wife and the Scott Country from Patrick Hagan for \$150,000.

The court holds that the terms of the option have been violated by the mineral company. The mineral company was organized a few months ago, with an authorized capital of \$5,000,000.

The decree Suspended Pending Appeal to Supreme Court for \$150,000.

Hot Night in Lynchburg.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Lynchburg, Va., July 24.—Last night, according to the records of the local Weather Bureau station, was the hottest night experienced in Lynchburg since July 27, 1892. The minimum temperature during the night was only 76.3 degrees, this being more than four degrees warmer than the warmest nights of the present season.

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July 25, 1911.

HIGH TIDE.

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Company Elects Officers.

Suffolk, Va., July 21.—At an election to-night to fill vacancies caused by the retirement of Captain William T. John to fill vacancies caused by the retirement of Captain William T. John son, of Company F. Fourth Virginia infantry, the following officers were judgment.

Successors to Mayo Iron Works, Inc., 2404 E. Main Streat.

Lynn Dennis, second Heutenant.

Candidate Speaks Along Usual Lines Before Large Audience.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Houston, Va., July 24.—At noon today Congressman Carter Glass spoke in the courthouse to a large audience, He was introduced by H. J. Ingram, Sr., and during the course of his speech frequently was interrupted by applause, Mr. Glass, while following upon lines heretofore brought out, stated that his position at first was not to seek the office of Senator, but when he found that it had been negotiated for he then decided to make the run. He stated that while prohibition was not an issue, his position was at least known; that the reason it had been made an issue was that his opponent wished to get campaign funds from liquor people. He scored the "subsidized press" and unfair attempts to place him in a compromising position before he had annunced his candidacy, the ineffectual career of his opponent in Congress, and the bankrupt condition of the State treasury left by his opponent.

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